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CHANGES IN DIRECTORY

MEAT INSPECTION GRANTED

20-H. Wilson & Co., 206-208 Water Street, Norfolk, Va. 107. J. Lynn Cornwell, Purcellville, Va. 129. Hattaway Chili Co. and Mrs. E. M. Hattaway, 713 North D Street,

Fort Smith, Ark. 161. O. T. Hodge's Chili Con Carne Factory, 1528 Market Street, St. Louis, Mo.

172. Pure Food Products Co., 229 West Second Street, Wilmington, Del. 753. Central Abattoir Co. (Inc.), Second and Chestnut Streets, Reading, Pa. 904. Martin & Carlos, 307 Webster Avenue, Cambridge, Mass. 932. W. E. Watson & Co., 115 Vine Street, Philadelphia, Pa.

MEAT INSPECTION WITHDRAWN

83. John Cook & Sons (Inc.), Chicago, Ill.

172. Pure Food Products Co., Wilmington, Del.

406. William J. Moxley, Chicago, Ill.

MEAT INSPECTION EXTENDED

545 Republic Food Products Co., to include John Cook & Sons (Inc.) Chicago, Ill.

CHANGE IN NAME OF OFFICIAL ESTABLISHMENT

326. Roberts & Withington (Inc.), P. O. box 1203, 11 Terminal Way, Providence, R. I., instead of Roberts & Oake of New England (Inc.).

CHANGE IN ADDRESS OF INSPECTOR IN CHARGE

Dr. A. J. De Fosset, P. O. box 1422, Columbus, Ohio, instead of P. O. box 935. Dr. James McDonald, 821 South Columbia Avenue, Springfield, Ill., instead of 18 Federal Building.

Dr. J. T. Purcell, 4 East Capitol Building, Madison, Wis., instead of Depart-

ment of Agriculture, Capitol Building, Madison, Wis., Instead of Department of Agriculture, Capitol Building.

Dr. P. E. Quinn, P. O. box 327 (office, 213 South Office Building, State Capitol),
Harrisburg, Pa., instead of Pennsylvania State B. A. I., Fourth & North Streets.

Dr. E. N. Tierney, care Leavenworth Packing & Storage Co., Leavenworth, Kans., instead of care Schalker Packing Co.

CHANGE IN ADDRESS LIST OF BUREAU OFFICIALS

Dr. C. O. Benson, in charge of Canadian import and export inspection, Ogdensburg, N. Y.

Dr. James W. Harner replaces Doctor Benson as inspector in charge of Cana-

dian import and export inspection, Canaan, Vt.

The transfer of Dr. G. T. Van Bushkirk to Odgensburg, N. Y., announced in Service and Regulatory Announcements for November, 1924, has been canceled because of his inability to accept the assignment.

NOTICE REGARDING MEAT INSPECTION

THE SOURING OF HAMS

Further investigations by E. A. Boyer, in charge of the Omaha meat-inspection laboratory, indicate that the scalding vat is the source of the bacteria present in chilled hog carcasses. This view is based chiefly on the character of the bacterial flora found in the carcasses and its similarity to that of the scalding vat. The bacterial flora of the carcasses is distinctive and of a type not commonly found in nature. It consists entirely of types which are distinctly resistant to heat and contains a relatively high proportion of anaerobic bacteria of types commonly found in the intestinal tracts of domestic animals and their environment, particularly pigpens, stable yards, manure piles, and heavily manured soil. Bacterium coli and other types commonly found in the same environment, but which are easily killed by heat, are never found in the carcasses. Boyer has demonstrated a similar flora in the water of the scalding vat and at no other point in the establishment.

Consideration of the common method of scalding shows how contamination of the carcass with the vat water may readily take place. As the hog hangs on the rail the lungs are compressed by the weight of the abdominal viscera. When the carcass is dropped into the vat this pressure is released, the lungs expand, and vat water is necessarily drawn in through the mouth, nose, and stick wound. The fact that the lungs are invariably contaminated with vat water has been well known for some time. The vat water in all probability also enters the circulatory system through the stick wound and is thereafter disseminated throughout the carcass during the scalding, dehairing, and scraping. The vat water is so heavily contaminated with bacteria that a very small portion of it would be sufficient to account for a wide dissemination of bacteria througout the

carcass.

Remedial measures suggested are replacing the vat by some other means of scalding, such as a spray of hot water or elimination of the usual plunge by lowering the hogs into the vat in such way that expansion of the lungs might take place before the mouth, nose, and stick wound are submerged. Attention is directed in this connection to the notice in Service and Regulatory Announcements for September, 1924, page 101, "Hog Stick Wounds." Establishments are urged to give consideration to the possibility of introducing such measures. Inspectors in charge are requested to furnish the bureau with any information which they may have bearing on the possibility of eliminating the scalding vat or handling the hogs in such way as to prevent contamination.

ANIMALS SLAUGHTERED UNDER FEDERAL MEAT INSPECTION, NOVEMBER, 1924

Station	Cattle	Calves	Sheep	Goats	Swine
Baltimore Brooklyn Buffalo Chicago Cincinnati Cleveland Detroit Fort Worth Indianapolis Jersey City Kansas City Milwaukee National Stock Yards New York Omaha Philadelphia St. Louis Sioux City South St. Joseph South St. Joseph South St. Paul	22, 522 5, 477 125, 403 14, 473 48, 282 31, 932 78, 522	1, 859 6, 929 2, 668 45, 130 6, 395 7, 417 5, 892 59, 594 2, 877 7, 084 31, 585 529, 725 8, 213 35, 816 6, 185 2, 429 2, 835 6, 753 44, 891	2, 914 24, 805 9, 355 228, 023 5, 053 18, 738 24, 628 5, 075 2, 974 38, 929 49, 408 4, 984 4, 709 147, 476 97, 340 17, 447 26, 151 47, 707 64, 033	285 	93, 901 104, 408 781, 010 68, 313 111, 497 115, 687 29, 170 163, 244 83, 826 242, 459 190, 464 149, 251 96, 246 169, 018 106, 997 143, 306 155, 894 167, 403 296, 160
All other establishments Total: November, 1924 November, 1923 11 months ended November, 1924 11 months ended November, 1923	951, 887 845, 618 8, 667, 201	392, 395 370, 070 4, 519, 451 4, 176, 785	949, 963 915, 229 11, 018, 915 10, 550, 869	4,390 3,852 26,867 23,615	1, 372, 690 4, 640, 944 5, 340, 678 46, 272, 328 4, 742, 949

Horses slaughtered at all establishments, November, 1924, 1,260. Inspections of lard at all establishments, 133,732,711 pounds; compound and other substitutes, 34,321,938 pounds. Corresponding inspections for November, 1923: Lard, 172,992,493 pounds; compound and other substitutes, 31,595,688 pounds. (These totals do not represent actual production, as the same lard or compound may have been inspected and recorded more than once in the process of manufacture.)

CAUSES FOR CONDEMNATION OF CARCASSES, OCTOBER, 1924

Cause	Cattle	Calves	Sheep	Swine
Emaciation	853	116	392	94 1, 772
Inflammatory diseases	870	165 239	432	1,618
TuberculosisAll other causes	6, 071 1, 692	68 251	511	6, 223 3, 188
Total	9, 486	839	1, 335	12, 895

IMPORTS OF FOOD ANIMALS AND MEAT PRODUCTS

The statements following show the imports of food animals and of meats and meat food products inspected by the Bureau of Animal Industry during November, 1924, with figures for other periods for comparison.

Imports of food animals

Country of export	Cattle	Swine	Sheep	Goats
Mexico Canada Great Britain	8, 667 13, 376 104	125 4, 566	16, 683 4, 778	5
· Total: Nov., 1924 Nov., 1923 11 months ended Nov., 1924 11 months ended Nov., 1923	22, 147 24, 786 197, 184 153, 166	4, 691 166 27, 194 2, 204	21, 461 9, 027 74, 382 48, 298	5 362 10, 125 502

Imports of meat and meat food products

	Fresh and	refrigerated	Canned	Other	Total	
Country of export	Beef	Other	and cured	products	weight	
Argentina Australia Canada Uruguay	Pounds 2, 000 342, 628	Pounds 76 491, 635	Pounds 530, 450 68 72, 663 184, 343	Pounds 6, 800 243, 215 92, 598	Pounds 539, 250 243, 359 999, 524 184, 343	
Other countries		171	40, 411	9, 141	49, 723	
Total: November, 1924. November, 1923. 11 months ended November, 1924. 11 months ended November, 1923.		491, 882 349, 615 11 115, 474 9, 429, 962	827, 935 613, 190 10, 306, 132 10, 652, 383	351, 754 281, 020 2, 335, 896 1, 261, 172	2, 016, 199 2, 655, 207 34, 732, 907 33, 902, 373	

FOREIGN MEAT-INSPECTION OFFICIALS

The following is an additional name, address, and facsimile signature of a foreign national Government official authorized to sign and issue certificates of inspection for meat and meat food products offered for importation into the United States:

Country, name, and address	Signature
scotland G. V. T. McMichael, Paisley	G. V. Y. Whichael

SUMMARY OF TUBERCULOSIS-ERADICATION WORK IN COOPERATION WITH STATES, NOVEMBER, 1924

	Tuberculin tests during month			Total to date					
State	Herds or lots	Cattle tested	Cattle react- ed	eact- free ite		Herds under super- vision	Inspector in charge	State official	
AlaArizArkCalifColoConnDel	93 106 828 74 4 265 121	3, 714 2, 870 3, 212 6, 653 71 6, 126 1, 366	0 254	1,837	13 48 28 46 554	3, 146 2, 074 2, 186 1, 335 1, 762	W. G. Middle-	C. A. Cary, Auburn. S. E. Douglas, Phoenix. J. H. Bux, Little Rock. J. P. Iverson, Sacramento. C. G. Lamb, Denver. J. M. Whittlesey, Hartford. O. A. Newton, Bridgeville.	
D. C Fla Ga Idaho Ill Ind Iowa	14 157 153 297 5, 290 1, 974 3, 833	194 2, 385 2, 689 6, 138 51, 318 16, 964 59, 490	1 3 17 70 2, 544 251 1, 525	1,871 30,556	340 45 93 836	6, 237 4, 965 18, 892 58, 927 40, 246	ton. J. A. Kiernan J. G. Fish A. L. Hirleman W. A. Sullivan J. J. Lintner J. E. Gibson J. A. Barger	J. V. Knapp, Tallahassee. P. F. Bahnsen, Atlanta. W. R. Smith, Boise. F. A. Laird, Springfield. R. C. Julien, Indianapolis. M. G. Thornburg, Des	
Kans Ky La Me Me Mich Miss Mio Mion Mion Miss Mion Mion Miss Mion Mion Miss Mion Mion Mion Mion Mion Mion Mion Mion		16, 361 6, 393 2, 365 7, 963 5, 930 2, 192 30, 091 64, 119 1, 371 10, 631 9, 033	148 48 65 153 370 77 922 1, 018 6	8, 121 29, 723 1, 564 13, 686 2, 183 600 54, 764 12, 710 465 51, 242 18, 386	204 232 4, 567 117 773	34, 658 2, 669 15, 099 6, 820 1, 349 66, 270 20, 242 724 53, 588	N. L. Townsend W. F. Biles A. F. Staub J. B. Reidy T. A. Ladson T. S. Rich W. J. Fretz H. L. Fry Ralph Graham J. W. Murdoch	H. A. Wilson, Jefferson City.	

Summary of tuberculosis-eradication work in cooperation with States, November, 1924—Continued

	Tuberculin tests during month		Total to date					
State	Herds or lots		Cattle reacted		ited	Herds under super- vision	Inspector in charge	State official
Nebr Nev N. H N. J	86	1, 083 3, 974	$\frac{1}{275}$	1, 996 1, 855	15 946	2, 373	E. A. Crossman W. G. Middle-	L. R. Cantwell, Lincoln. Edward Records, Reno. A. L. Felker, Concord. J. H. McNeil, Trenton.
N. Mex N. Y N. C	62 2, 628 5, 861	41, 719 14, 084	52	19, 476 125, 889	10, 494 64	137, 414	H. B. Leonard W. C. Dendin- ger.	Mat. Keenan, Albuquerque. H. J. Henry, Albany. Wm. Moore, Raleigh.
N. Dak Ohio Okla Oreg Pa R. I	587 2, 492 14 1, 172 3, 578	18, 947 330 10, 410	516	31, 334 159 27, 776	1, 363 469 634 3, 073	35, 894 661	H. Grafke S. B. Foster P. E. Quinn	W. F. Crewe, Bismarck. F. A. Zimmer, Columbus. J. A. Whitehurst, Oklahoma. W. H. Lytle, Salem. T. E. Munce, Harrisburg. T. E. Robinson, Providence.
S. C	229 173 166 14 130	1, 277 4, 799 3, 422 627 1, 176	3 105 16 1 6	863 536	185 398 402 267	5, 038 1, 139 12, 744 1, 179 10, 397	W. K. Lewis J. O. Wilson E. I. Smith L. J. Allen	W. K. Lewis, Columbia. A. E. Beaumont, Pierre. W. B. Lincoln, Nashville. L. G. Cloud, Fort Worth. A. J. Webb, Salt Lake City.
Vt Va Wash	573 350 625	14, 696 4, 915 7, 615	597 49 121	1, 983 5, 842 26, 539	2, 785 1, 277 130	7, 146 7, 473 28, 457	R. E. Brookbank. J. C. Exline	Edward H. Jones, Montpelier. J. G. Ferneyhough, Richmond. L. C. Pelton, Olympia.
W. Va Wis Wyo	3, 909 87 50, 938	76, 974 843	120 1, 565 14 17, 992	41, 170 4, 848	5, 646 9	51, 315 5, 481	George W. Neff. J. S. Healy John T. Dallas	J. H. Stewart, Charleston. John D. Jones, jr., Madison. A. W. French, Cheyenne.

PERMITTED DISINFECTANTS

In accordance with the provisions of B. A. I. Order 273 (revised), governing the interstate movement of livestock, the bureau has granted permission for the use of the following-named cresol solutions in the general disinfection of cars, yards, and other premises:

"Creusan Saponified Cresol Solution," manufactured by U. S. Sanitary Special-

ties Corporation, 435–441 South Western Avenue, Chicago, Ill.

"Western White Face Brand 50% Cresol Compound (Saponified)," manufactured by Western Chemical Corporation, P. O. box 83, Houston, Tex.

"U. D. Liquor Cresolis Compositus," manufactured by the United Drug Co.,

43 Leon Street, Boston, Mass.

The bureau also has granted permission to the Peet Stock Remedy Co., 33 South Twenty-fifth Street, Council Bluffs, Iowa, for the distribution and use of "San-I-Sol" in the general disinfection of cars, yards, and other premises. "San-I-Sol" is identical with a product of the same name manufactured by McLaughlin Gormley King Co., of Minneapolis, Minn.

LICENSES FOR VETERINARY BIOLOGICAL PRODUCTS

LICENSE TERMINATED

United States veterinary license No. 173, issued March 22, 1923, to the Berg Biological Laboratory, 331 Lenox Road, Brooklyn, N. Y., was terminated December 12, 1924, without prejudice.

ANTI-HOG-CHOLERA SERUM AND HOG-CHOLERA VIRUS PRODUCED UNDER UNITED STATES VETERINARY LICENSE, NOVEMBER, 1924

Ordinary serumClear serum	15, 088, 079
Total serum	
Simultaneous virusHyperimmunizing virus	1, 715, 523

AMENDMENTS TO ADMINISTRATIVE REGULATIONS

SATURDAY AFTERNOONS IN SUMMER

By memorandum No. 505 of the office of the Secretary, dated October 30, 1924, paragraph 494 of the Administrative Regulations of the department is amended to read as follows:

"494. Saturday afternoons in summer.—Beginning with the second Saturday in June, all Saturdays to and including the second Saturday in September will be charged as four hours in annual leave and as a whole day in sick leave and leave without pay."

The above amendment is issued in order to conform to the Executive order of the President, dated June 13, 1924, which specifically states that "from the second Saturday of June to the second Saturday of September, both inclusive," instead of "from June 15 to September 15, inclusive," four hours shall constitute a day's work on Saturdays.

JURY SERVICE

By memorandum No. 506 of the office of the Secretary, dated October 30, 1924, paragraph 689 of the Administrative Regulations of the department is amended to read as follows:

"689. Jury service.—Employees of the department are exempt from jury service in the District of Columbia; are ineligible in the District of Columbia and elsewhere for jury service whenever the United States is a party, and can not lawfully be compelled to perform jury service in State or municipal courts if such service will interfere substantially with their official duties, but whether a particular employee shall be held exempt on this ground is a question to be decided in the first instance by the court issuing the summons, upon the facts which may be submitted to it by the employee or his official superior. In every case, therefore, where an employee is summoned for jury service in a State or municipal court, he should appear, and, if such service will interfere substantially with the performance of his duties, he should respectfully inform the court of that fact and request to be excused. If the court declines to excuse him, the employee should report the facts by wire to the chief of his bureau and take the matter up with the United States attorney for the district in which he is located. The chief of the bureau will notify the Solicitor immediately, in order that the Attorney General may be requested to instruct the United States attorney to render the employee such legal assistance as may be necessary.

"Employees who attend State or municipal courts as jurors will be required to take annual leave or leave without pay during the entire period of such service."

The purpose of this amendment is to express what was before left to implica-

tion—namely, that whether an employee should be excused from jury service because of interference of such service with his official duties is a question to be decided in the first instance by the court issuing the summons.

HIRING OF AUTOMOBILE FROM MEMBER OF FAMILY OR FELLOW EMPLOYEE

The Comptroller General has recently rendered a decision which reads in part

"Furthermore, and aside from any inhibition in administrative regulations, the hiring of an automobile from any member of the family of an employee, or from another employee under circumstances that might tend to indicate the existence of a reciprocal arrangement or that any employee might receive any personal benefit, directly or indirectly, from such hiring, is unauthorized as in contravention of the provisions of section 1765, Revised Statutes."

RESULTS OF PROSECUTIONS FOR VIOLATIONS OF LAWS

Penalties have been imposed in prosecutions for violations of regulatory laws, as reported to the bureau, as follows:

Livestock Quarantine Law

Chicago, Milwaukee & St. Paul Railway Co., interstate transportation of 10 dead hogs in same car with live animals, \$100 fine.

Twenty-Eight-Hour Law

Atlantic Coast Line Railroad Co. (3 cases), \$100 fine. Baltimore & Ohio Railroad Co., \$100 fine. Indiana Harbor Belt Railroad Co., \$100 fine. Louisville & Nashville Railroad Co. (5 cases), \$500 fines. Missouri, Kansas & Texas Railway Co. (14 cases), \$1,400 fines. Pennsylvania Railroad Co. (5 cases), \$500 fines.

Meat-Inspection Law

William Reckziegel, Secaucus, N. J., offering uninspected meat for interstate shipment, \$50 fine.

El Bar Cattle Co., Colorado Springs, Colo., misuse of secondhand containers bearing the marks of Federal inspection, \$25 fine.

Consolidated Rendering Co., New York, N. Y., offering, for shipment in foreign commerce, quantities of uninspected, undenatured oleo oil having the physical characteristics of an edible product, \$3,000 fine.

Guenther Bologna Co., Easton, Pa., offering uninspected meat for interstate

shipment, \$55 fine.

NEW PUBLICATIONS OF THE BUREAU

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Department Bulletin 1245. Stock-Poisoning Plants of the Range. By C. D. Marsh, Pathological Division. Pp. 36, pls. 43, figs. 30. (Revision of Department Bulletin 575.)

Farmers' Bulletin 1030 (revised). Feeding Horses. By J. O. Williams,

Animal Husbandry Division. Pp. 22.

Farmers' Bulletin 1186 (slightly revised). Pork on the Farm. By F. G. Ashbrook and G. A. Anthony, Bureau of Animal Industry, and Frants P. Lund, Office of Cooperative Extension Work. Pp. 38, figs. 22.
Farmers' Bulletin 1361 (revised). Brahman (Zebu) Cattle. By Virgil V.
Parr, Animal Husbandry Division. Pp. 22, figs. 9.

Amendment 6 to B. A. I. Order 283. Declaring names of counties placed in modified accredited areas for tuberculosis. Adds Hoke and Pitt Counties, N. C., Eddy and Wells Counties, N. Dak., and Lincoln County, Kans., to the counties on the modified accredited list. Effective for the period of three years from December 9, 1924. P. 1.

Amendment 30 to B. A. I. Order 287. Relative to foot-and-mouth disease in cattle, sheep, other ruminants, and swine. Releases entirely from quarantine, effective January 1, 1925, the counties of Contra Costa, Fresno, Los Angeles, Madera, Merced, and Orange, Calif. P. 1.

Amendment 31 to B. A. I. Order 287. Relative to foot-and-mouth disease in

cattle, sheep, other ruminants, and swine. Releases portions of Galveston, Harris, and Brazoria Counties, Tex., effective January 1, 1925. P. 1.

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